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Chair Rosa DeLauro  
Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Ranking Member Kay Granger  
Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

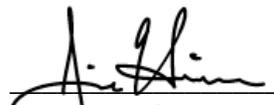
I am requesting funding for the Applied Behavioral Rehabilitation Institute to undertake the Homes for the Brave project in Fiscal Year 2023. This request is for Economic Development Initiatives (EDI) account under the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Applied Behavioral Rehabilitation Institute, located at 655 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604.

The Applied Behavioral Rehabilitation Institute (ABRI) is seeking \$1,500,000 to rehabilitate its facility to space for the Veterans in the Homes for the Brave (HFTB) program. The renovation would expand the existing facility at HFTB, creating eight 120 sq ft suites with a room and a private bathroom. The funds would also be used to reconfigure the second floor in the current building to create an additional four suites. The expansion would include the installation of an elevator to serve Veterans with limited mobility.

This project would be an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would allow ABRI to expand its facilities and provide housing placement services, case management, nutrition, quality mental health services, and access to vocational services to more individuals struggling with homelessness. The expansion and elevator installation would expand access to more medically vulnerable and mobility-limited Veterans.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

  
JIM HIMES  
Member of Congress

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